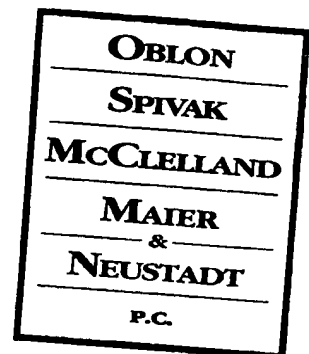


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Box 16  
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Attn: Frank Lebron  
Refund Department

Re: Deposit Account #150030

Dear Mr. Lebron:

Enclosed is a copy of a portion of our deposit account statement of December, 2004. Please review the highlighted charge on Serial Number 10/660,635 in the amount of \$1,530.00 on fee code #1254.

This charge appears to be in error. A Notice to File Missing Parts was mailed on April 29, 2004. On August 3, 2004 this Notice was withdrawn. A Notice of Omitted Items was mailed August 3, 2004. The response date was October 3, 2004. A response was filed on October 4 (October 3 was a Sunday). Therefore, no extension fees are due.

Please investigate this charge and kindly refund \$1,530.00 to Deposit Account #150030. Copies of the appropriate paperwork are attached. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. My phone number is 703-412-6296.

Adjustment date: 03/07/2005 SDIRETA1  
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Sincerely,

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DATE	SEQ	POSTING REF TXT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NBR	FEE CODE	AMT	BAL
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- The application was filed in a language other than English. Applicant is required to provide an English translation of the specification and a statement that the translation is accurate. (See 37 CFR 1.52(d)).
- Because your specification was filed in a language other than English, the Office was unable to determine the number of claims submitted. Additional claim fees may be due once the number of claims can be determined.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawing figures contain text that is not in English (including, for example, a flow chart that was originally not in English that has been marked up to include the English text) (see 37 CFR 1.84(p)(2) and 37 CFR 1.52(d)(1)). See Figure(s) all drawings.

Replies should be mailed to: Mail Stop Missing Parts  
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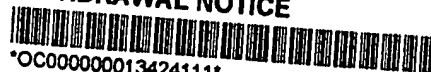
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## WITHDRAWAL OF PREVIOUSLY SENT NOTICE

The Notice mailed on 04/29/2004 was sent in error and is hereby withdrawn. A corrected Notice is enclosed. The time period for reply runs from the mail date of the corrected Notice. We apologize for any inconvenience this caused.

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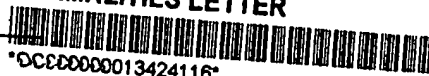
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NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 9 and 16 described in the specification.

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit must be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date must be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date being requested when submitting the omitted items(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b).** In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the

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Dept.: E/M

✓ Serial No. 10/660,635

By: MM/jmo

In the matter of the Application of: Takumi AKATSUKA, et al.

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MEASURING SHAPE OF TUBULAR  
BODY

Due Date: October 3, 2004

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- Dep. Acct. Order Form
- Response to Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application
- Preliminary Amendment



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